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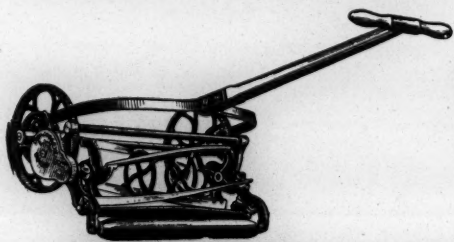
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Editorial.

MARCH is a month of active preparation in the Southern Federations of Clubwomen which *The Keystone* represents. The Annual Convention of the Florida Federation occurs at Tampa, Fla., April 4th-5th, and the Annual Convention of the Mississippi Federation takes place at Crystal Springs, Miss., April 18th-20th. The North Carolina Federation holds its annual meeting at Charlotte, N. C., May 1st-4th inclusive, while the South Carolina Federation will meet at the same date, May 1st-4th, at Rock Hill, S. C. With all these important meetings in the near future it is easily seen that Club circles in these four States are busy with preparations for these annual gatherings.

All of these Federations are members of the General Federation and therefore these conventions will be an excellent opportunity for the discussion of the plans and the program for the St. Paul Biennial of the General Federation, which convenes in St. Paul, Minnesota, May 31-June 7th. Every indication points to a large gathering of Southern representatives at St. Paul, and the achievement of the Southern Clubwoman will bear comparison with the work of Clubwomen in other parts of the United States. The Club movement grows stronger with each year and is developing women in their intellectual endeavors, is broadening their sympathies and enlarging their opportunities for useful service to their communities. The public generally is understanding the objects of the Woman's Club better every day and the dignity of its methods and the seriousness of its purposes are making their impress on the civilization of the times.

CLUB Women in South Carolina are rejoicing over the passage of the Reformatory Bill by the Legislature of that State last month. This bill provides for a Reformatory and Industrial School for wayward white boys and the provisions of the bill are clearly and simply explained by Mrs. McKissick, the Chairman of the Federation's Committee on that subject, in the South Carolina Federation Column in this issue of *The Keystone*.

The idea of the establishment of a Reformatory originated in the South Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs during the administration of Mrs. M. O. Patterson, who labored faithfully for this object until her death last November. Mrs. A. F. McKissick took up the work and with the assistance of the Clubwomen of South Carolina, has worked zealously to arouse public opinion on the subject. These women were fortunate in finding able assistants among the men of the State and the Legislators, and they feel that their efforts have been met by the heartiest cooperation on the part of the thinking people of their State.

The South Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs has many good works under way and not the least of these is this subject of a Reformatory for white boys in that State.

"*The Keystone*," which might also be truthfully called the "Touchstone," bringing so many kindred thoughts, especially upon the European outing recently and again in matters musical, as we are just about to enjoy a week of the Savage opera which *The Keystone* criticized so favorably a short time since and so "The echoes roll from soul to soul." * * *

SARAH KENDALL.

Auditor General Federation of Women's Clubs.
 Seattle, Washington, Jan. 28th, 1906.

KEYSTONE:—Your paper is a treat—so much for so little.
 Yorkville, S. C.

MRS. W. H. FOWLER.

THE South Carolina Division of the United Daughters of the Confederacy is much interested in the question of an annual reunion of the Confederate Veterans of the State. These women ever interested in all that pertains to the welfare of the Confederate Veteran are planning through a committee to come in touch with the other Confederate organizations in the State and in combination with them to devise some practical plan by which the old soldiers may have their annual reunions assured them. The number of Veterans grows less each year and it seems as if some sort of plan might be made by which the entertainment of the Veterans alone could be arranged for in so simple and yet so hearty a way that their faithful hearts might be made glad with the revival of the memories of the past.

IN this day of so many calls on one's public spirit, how often do we not have to face the discouraging situation of so much to be done and so few willing to make the personal sacrifice to do it. Truly we should heed the plea for the development of individuality in the child; that wonderful characteristic which separates the leader from the herd; that makes a man stand alone if need be.

How much is accomplished by those great souls who know how to assume responsibility and who bring to all their intercourse with their fellow man a personal enthusiasm which warms everything that they touch with a glow of interest and vital force. These leaders among their fellows bring many things to pass by putting themselves into their work. We find people everywhere shirking, dodging or stumbling over their responsibilities, and then wondering what is the matter with the world generally; so many kindly souls who know how a burden should be carried, but who never offer their shoulders to try the weight of that burden. Every one cannot give abundantly to the outside world of time and strength and mental force, but is it not possible for many of us to give something more than we do from our bounty to those objects of united effort which do not especially touch our home life and our loved ones. Should we be satisfied with lavishing all our time and thought and effort on those alone who appeal to us personally, and fill our lives with joy by their mere existence? Must we always depend on "substitutes" for some people's service to the common welfare? "Self trust is the essence of heroism," and this is one of the great needs of woman's world to-day. Definiteness of purpose, clearness of decision, and an ability to assume responsibility with personal enthusiasm are the great factors in life's success. Then, when we find out what we can do, and the joy that comes from standing alone and assuming responsibility, will we realize that the self denial, the self repression, and the effort of it all was more than merely "worth while," for we will have found ourselves, and the best and highest that is in us will have full play for development according to the Divine plan.

WOMAN'S interests are being appreciated and cared for in Germany these days. A woman, Fraulein Gertrude Steiner, has been appointed concert-master and first violin of the Dresden-Gewerbe-Haus Orchestra. And again we learn that the city council of Berlin has decided to open next Easter in one of the public school buildings a municipal "Gymnasium" for girls. This is a step towards the higher education for girls as a Gymnasium in Germany is a grade of school between a High School and a College.

OFFICIAL CLUB NEWS.

For the State Federations of Women's Clubs of South Carolina, Mississippi, North Carolina and Florida.
(This Department is official, and will be continued monthly.)

SOUTH CAROLINA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS.

Address all communications for South Carolina to Mrs. Julius M. Visanska, Cor. Sec. S. C. F. W. C., 2 Bull Street, Charleston, S. C., *Manager*.

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70 Clubs—2,700 Members.

THE Executive Board of the S. C. Federation met on Feb. 7th at Greenwood, S. C., upon the invitation of Mrs. A. F. McKissick, the First Vice-President.

Present at this meeting were the President, Mrs. Wilbur K. Sligh; the 1st Vice-President, Mrs. A. F. McKissick, and the Recording Secretary, Mrs. J. E. Sirrine. It was a matter of sincere regret that the other State officers were prevented from being present.

Routine business was disposed of and plans made for the Convention at Rock Hill May 1st-4th; further details of which will appear in a later issue of the *Keystone*.

Mrs. McKissick, acting Chairman of the Committee for the Establishment of a State Reformatory and Industrial School, presented a report showing that \$802.50 had been pledged for the work by Clubs in various parts of the State.

At this meeting delegates and alternates to represent the South Carolina Federation at the General Federation Convention to be held at St. Paul, Minn., May 31, June 7th, were elected as follows:

Delegates.—Miss McClintock, Columbia; Miss Mary B. Poppenheim, Charleston; Mrs. A. F. McKissick, Greenwood; Mrs. L. J. Blake, Spartanburg, and Mrs. J. E. Sirrine, Greenville.

Alternates.—Mrs. R. W. Gibbes, Columbia; Miss Vander Horst, Charleston; Mrs. H. C. Wannamaker, Orangeburg; Mrs. M. F. Ansel, Greenville.

It is to be hoped that South Carolina will be represented at the St. Paul Convention by her full quota of Delegates, for our representatives can only bring back to their Clubs and their Federation inspiration and encouragement from such a gathering of able and representative women as the St. Paul Convention will surely be.

TO THE CLUB WOMEN OF SOUTH CAROLINA:—It is a very great pleasure to be able to announce to you that the work so ably begun by our lamented Mrs. Patterson and to which she devoted the last two years of her life, has been carried to a successful conclusion and our Industrial School for white boys will soon be an established fact. While there were some amendments to the bill, none of them seriously affect its original intent with the exception that no women will be appointed on the Board of Trustees. The appropriation of \$4,500.00 is also smaller than we had hoped for, but "all things come to those who wait," and *work* while they are waiting; and if our Clubwomen will only continue for another year the generous support they have pledged for the current year, the school which is the work of our Federation, will then be placed on a sure foundation and enabled to do all the good for our State which we have planned and hoped for from the beginning. Through a donation for this specific purpose, the Spartanburg Association sent Dr. Wallace of Wofford College, and the Catechee Club sent Mr. Jamison of the Connie Maxwell Orphanage

to appear before the Finance Committee of the Senate to whom the Industrial School Bill had been referred; these gentlemen deserve our sincere gratitude for their efforts in our behalf, for with their practical knowledge of the subject under discussion they could make clear many a knotty question.

Personally I wish to thank you, one and all, for your cordial co-operation in the work of your Committee; truly it has been a hard pull, and a long pull, but it has been a pull altogether, and it is due to your help and encouragement that we can say that our efforts have been crowned with success.

MARGARET SMYTH MCKISSICK,

Chairman Industrial School Committee, S. C. Federation of Women's Clubs.

ALL CLUBS THAT HAVE not paid their annual dues of three dollars to the State Federation this year are requested to send this fee to the treasurer, Miss Varina D. Brown, 517 N. Main St., Anderson, during the month of March. It is necessary that these dues should be paid at once to avoid confusion at the time of the State Federation meeting.

VARINA D. BROWN, Treasurer.

THE CHAIRMAN of Reciprocity for South Carolina would again remind the Clubs of her request to report to her any celebration of Reciprocity Day on their Club Callendar. The Edgefield Literary Club, the Timrod Circle, Summerville, and the Century Club, Charleston, have reported a celebration of Reciprocity Day during the month of February. This information is necessary for your Chairman's report at Rock Hill on May 1st. Please address Miss Mary B. Poppenheim, Chairman of Reciprocity for South Carolina, Charleston, S. C.

I WOULD LIKE TO CALL the attention of the Clubs which have not answered the letters addressed to them by a member of the Civil Service Reform Committee of the State Federation to the omission, and to ask that each Club will give immediate attention to the matter.

A complete report from this committee will be impossible unless these answers are received in March.

ADELE P. VANDER HORST,

Chairman Civil Service Reform Com. S. C. F. W. C.

MRS. PAUL Workman, of Rock Hill, requests that all Clubs elect their delegates to the Convention of the South Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs, at as early a date as possible, and that immediately upon election, the names of delegates be forwarded to her. It is to be hoped that all Clubs will bear this request in mind, so as to aid our kind Rock Hill hostesses in the arduous task of housing their guests, and so avoid the confusion and complications which sometimes arise in consequence of delay on the part of Clubs in announcing names of delegates.

CHARLESTON'S CITY Federation of Women's Clubs held its Mid-Winter Meeting on the afternoon of February 7th in the ballroom of the St. John Hotel.

As the constitution of the City Federation provides that this Mid-Winter gathering shall be of a purely literary and social character, no business is ever enacted or even suggested on these occasions. Despite most unfavorable weather conditions, the beautiful ballroom was filled with some two hundred Clubwomen and invited guests, when Miss Louisa B. Poppenheim, President of the City Federa-

tion, rose to extend a hearty welcome to all present, and to announce the program which had been prepared for their pleasure.

The speakers of the occasion were three gifted and charming women, (the wives of naval officers whose ships were wintering in Charleston harbor), who had graciously consented to meet with and address the City's clubwomen.

Mrs. Carr, wife of Lieut.-Commander C. A. Carr, U. S. N. charmed her hearers by a delightful little talk on Customs of the Hawaiian Islands. Mrs. Dickins, wife of Admiral F. W. Dickins commanding the Coast Squadron, now in Charleston harbor, who is a writer of acknowledged ability, recited in a low, sweet voice three of her own exquisite poems, "Taps," "Golden Poppies" and "Memory."

Mrs. Dickins was followed by Mrs. Beach, wife of Lieut.-Commander E. L. Beach, whose Reminiscences of a Tour in the Orient both interested her audience intensely and gave each woman a new insight into Dewey's victory at Manila and the consequent complications with the Filipinos,—telling in simple words the anxieties of an officer's wife awaiting news of the great battle, and its results; and interesting interview with the great Filipino leader, Aginaldo, and the desire of his people for a republic of their own, under American protection.

Preceding, following and interspersed between these charming literary features were exquisite musical features by talented Charleston musicians,—the vocalists being Miss Nathan and Miss Howell, whose beautiful songs were enthusiastically received, while Miss Godard, Mrs. W. G. Locke and Miss Smith received much applause at the close of their artistic instrumental selections. At the end of the literary and musical program there was a charmingly informal reception, which gave local Clubwomen and their guests an opportunity to become better acquainted. The exquisite appointed tea-table was presided over by Misses Horlbeck and Bryan, who were ably assisted in serving by the younger members of the organizations composing the City Federation. By the time the reception was at its height darkness fell, but not before the ballroom had been flooded with light from the innumerable electric lights which adorn the walls and ceilings of the beautiful room; and those present will long remember the charming scene, which thus fittingly brought to a close this memorable Mid-Winter Meeting of the City Federation of Women's Clubs.

THE NEW CENTURY CLUB of Johnston is studying a Bible Course this year. This Club has just ordered a number of cedar trees to plant on the school campus. On Feb. 2nd the Club and its friends welcomed the Traveling Art Portfolio of the S. C. Federation at the home of Mrs. Jas. H. White. An interesting program of vocal and instrumental music with papers on the purpose of the portfolio, and comments on the Masterpieces was carefully prepared, dainty refreshments were served and Mrs. White and Mrs. Peschman are to be congratulated upon their successful afternoon. Attractive souvenir programs were distributed and all Johnston will remember the visit of the Traveling Art Portfolio of the S. C. Federation.

THE WOMAN'S CLUB OF NEWBERRY celebrated their fifth anniversary on the evening of February 13th at the home of the President, Mrs. Floyd. The Club invited Miss Louisa B. Poppenheim, Corresponding Secretary of the General Federation, who organized this Club five years ago, to be their guest on this occasion to revive the memories of "auld lang syne."

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THE FOLLOWING Resolutions have been adopted by the Kennedy Library Association of Spartanburg:

RESOLVED.—I. That the State Federation of S. C. has suffered a great loss in the death of Mrs. Martha Orr Patterson.

II. That we, the members of The Kennedy Library Association feel this loss keenly.

III. That we pledge ourselves to do all within our power to carry forward her work for a State Industrial School and Reformatory.

IV. That a copy of these resolutions be sent to *The Keystone*, and that a copy be inscribed in the Minute Book.

ALMA BOYD,
Sec. Kennedy Library Association.

RECIPROCITY BUREAU.

(The Reciprocity Bureau acknowledges the receipt of the following Year Books and programmes, any of which will be sent to Clubs on application, when accompanied by postage for mailing the same.)

Year Book of The Woman's Club of Newberry, S. C., 1905-1906.—Bay View Course on France and Austria.

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28 Clubs.

THE Mississippi Federation of Women's Clubs will meet in Crystal Springs, April 18-19-20.

While the Floral Club will be the hostess of the convention it will be assisted in entertaining by other Clubs of the town. The convention promises to be the most interesting in the history of the Federation.

THE following is a list of the standing committees for the Mississippi Federation:

Organizers.—1st District, Mrs. W. C. Spencer, Verona; 2nd District, Mrs. Egbert R. Jones, Holly Springs; 3rd District, Mrs. Daisy Buck Lamkin, Friars Point; 4th District, Mrs. Edward Cochran, West Point; 5th and 6th District, Mrs. Mattie Hardy Lott, Meridian; 7th and 8th District, Mrs. Thomas R. Foster, Vicksburg. *Education*.—Mrs. M. Mecklenburger, Chairman, Okalona; Mrs. Alex. D. McRaven, Treasurer, Meridian; Mrs. Annie E. Locke, Senatobia; Mrs. R. A. Haire, Belzoni; Mrs. Joe Hall, Okalona. *Library Extension*.—Mrs. C. L. Anderson, Chairman, Kosciusko; Mrs. A. G. Weems, Meridian; Mrs. D. N. Hebron, Vicksburg; Mrs. S. L. Dodd, Kosciusko; Mrs. W. J. Nelson, Goodman. *Legislative*.—Mrs. Brooks F. Small, Chairman, Vicksburg; Mrs. R. E. Howard, Durant; Mrs. E. L. Ragland, Jackson; Miss Maude Walthall, Vicksburg; Miss Aby Woodward, Macon. *Music*.—Miss Marie W. Henry, Chairman, Jackson; Miss Maude Rothenberg, Meridian; Mrs. W. W. Scales, Starkville; Mrs. J. E. Doughtie, Meridian; Mrs. Louie H. Dent, Crystal Springs; Mrs. W. D. Kimbrough, Carrollton. *Art*.—Miss Bessie C. Lemly, Chairman, Jackson; Mrs. Nathan Allen, Goodman; Mrs. W. C. White, West Point. *Civics and Forestry*.—Mrs. Albert Anderson, Chairman, Holly Springs; Mrs. John Patton, Jackson; Mrs. J. M. Erwin, West Point; Mrs. J. E. Lyles, Okalona; Mrs. Alfred Burkhardt, Coffeeville. *Press*.—Mrs. D. N. Hebron, Chairman, Vicksburg; Mrs. M. V. Turnage, Belzoni; Mrs. Anthony Fly, McComb; Mrs. Floyd Herman, Pontotoc; Mrs. Daisy B. Lamkin, Friars Point; Mrs. William Ward, Starkville. *Credential*.—Mrs. A. B. Pitts, Chairman, Hazlehurst; Mrs. L. Brame, Jackson; Mrs. P. M. Fugler, McComb.

THE CLUB WOMEN of the State are glad to note that our State Legislature made the same liberal appropriation to the public schools of \$1,125,000.00 a year. Appropriations were also made to our State schools, the Agricultural and Mechanical College at Starkville, the State University at Oxford and our great Industrial Institute and College at Columbus. There are over eight hundred girls in the latter school, six girls crowded into one room in some of the dormitories and still others had to be refused admittance for want of room. Seventy per cent. of the taxes of the State are given to educate our children.

THE WOMAN'S CLUB, of Durant, is becoming more and more absorbed in the Shakespearean study. The Club has decided to begin chrysanthemum culture and to give a Flower Show next November. The following committee was appointed to make the plans: Mrs. Geo. Ramsey, Mrs. Kate DeLoach and Mrs. Fannie Owen.

THE SENATE OF MISSISSIPPI refused to pass the child labor bill asked for by the women's organizations. This bill was recommended by the King's Daughters, Woman's Christian Temperance Union, Methodist Home Mission Society and Federation of Women's Clubs.

THE ART STUDY Club of Jackson is continuing the study of French Art. A very interesting feature of the last meeting was an account of the visit to this country of the popular portrait painter, Carolus Durand. Miss Lemly was in New York the winter of Durand's visit and was so fortunate as to have a criticism from the artist. Miss Lemly had two watercolor paintings in the Art Exhibition in New Orleans last December. Miss Bettie McArthur, of Madison, Miss., also had two excellent portraits there.

THE 20TH Cent. Club, of Kosciusko, has never been in a more flourishing condition, all its various lines of work and pleasure being developed and perfected easily and successfully. The subject for study during the winter is France; and the programs furnished, necessitating supplementary reading on this subject, have been both interesting and profitable. After the history of France, "How to Look at Pictures" will be taken up. As an introduction to this work, Miss Orr, Mistress of English at the I. I. & C. at Columbus, Miss., will address this Club on the subject of Art. Miss Orr has recently returned from a two years' sojourn abroad, where the time was spent chiefly in European institutions of learning. She is thoroughly conversant with the subject that she is to discuss, and the Club is eagerly anticipating this treat.

The Cause of Education receives consideration, an appropriation being made each year towards scholarships supported by the State Federation. Also the Lyceum, under the auspices of this Club, is furnishing a series of fine attractions of a character that cannot fail to please. The last given being a lecture by that prince of lecturers, Hon. Geo. R. Wendling. Music and Art also receive due consideration at the hands of the Program Committee.

The oft repeated admonitions of the Civic Imp. Com. seem to be bearing fruit. The Flower Show is a potent factor in this work.

The Traveling Libraries, nine in number, sustained by this Club and circulated throughout the country are highly appreciated by the people, and the Club considers this work of all its various enterprises to be most productive of good.

This Club does along philanthropic lines, whatsoever it feels able to do, and was very glad to have within its possibilities, the ability to contribute \$50.00 towards building a home for aged and indigent women of the State.

But, lest a too persistent attention to duties should produce a weariness, an entertainment is given, each month, by three members of the Club; thus arranged in order that the entire membership may participate in sharing the duties that contribute to the Club's pleasure and recreation.

MRS. LOTTIE H. SMITH.

THE FLORAL Club of Crystal Springs, the hostess of the convention, has for its object the culture of flowers and the beautifying of the town and it has well fulfilled its mission.

The members hold regular meetings and have interesting literary programs.

The Bethoven Club of Crystal Springs is a new Club and has not yet joined the Federation. There is also a book club in the town and the Chautauqua Improvement Association.

OUR LITTLE CLUB, organized in March, 1904, with five members, now numbers 10 and we have more enthusiasm than most clubs so small. We have furnished a Kindergarten here by our own efforts and engaged a teacher, and feel that it is all the educational work we can undertake this year, as we pay our teacher \$45.00 per month. We try to include all the poor children free of charge and hope some day to establish a free Kindergarten. Our course of study this year is Italian Art and Poetry, and we have the Perry pictures to illustrate our course. Later we will study Greek Art and Poetry. In our Chautauquan we are studying "The Orient." Mrs. Aderbolt, Mrs. Logan, Mrs. O. H. Johnston, Miss Bessie Johnson and myself are the Charter members.

The Book Club of Tunica and the Reading Club of Rose-dale have been organized through my efforts and I hope to have them federated by April. I feel that I have done so little since attending the Jackson Convention, where I was simply inspired by our noble president. I have felt such enthusiasm for the work, all I can do seems too little.

Friar's Point, Miss.

DAISYE B. LAMKIN.

IN APRIL, 1905, in response to a desire long felt among themselves twenty of the ladies of McComb organized themselves into a club to be known as the Crescite Club, choosing the Bay View course for their first year's work.

Mrs. Pelham Mills was the prime mover in the organization and was unanimously chosen for the Presidency. Under her wise guidance and inspiring leadership the club is developing rapidly and harmoniously. Mrs. James Blair Alford makes a most efficient secretary.

They are very much interested in Civic Improvement and are lending all their energies to the establishment of a Public Library in McComb. The first of the semi-annual receptions was given in January at the beautiful home of Mrs. Anthony Fly. The spacious parlors and diningrooms were decorated most artistically in Japanese fashion. A beautiful musical program was rendered, progressive games were enjoyed and elegant refreshments were served. It was a most delightful occasion and each guest was presented with a handsome souvenir. MRS. A. J. HACKETT.

ONE OF THE STATE officers suggests that the scholarship fund shall hereafter be used as a loan fund giving the beneficiaries the privilege of returning it to the Federation after they are able to teach.

"IN THIS I send you a dollar for two years' subscription to *The Keystone*. Oh, that every dollar invested by me would yield such rich returns!" (Mrs. L. C.) MARY HUNTER HALL, Feb. 14th, 1906. Ex-President Arkansas Division U. D. C.

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30 Clubs—850 Members.

ONLY one month before the State Federation will meet in Charlotte. The Federation stands pledged to the consideration of an important amendment to the Constitution affecting the representation. Less time will be consumed in hearing addresses and more will be given to hearing and discussing the reports of Chairmen of Departments. The Executive Committee consider it of the utmost importance that every Chairman shall be present to hear and discuss these the real works of the Federation. Will not these ladies plan and even make sacrifices that this end may be attained?

IT IS TO BE regretted that so many changes in Club officers should have been made after the Year Book was issued. Your Chairman on Publication has addressed many letters to Presidents and Secretaries of Clubs as indicated in the Year Book asking information about their Club work. Most have remained unanswered owing, she supposes, to the fact that officers have been changed and that the letters were not passed on to the new ones. This confusion can be avoided only by the various Clubs agreeing to act in concert and hold their annual elections shortly before the session of the Convention.

THE FOLLOWING HAS BEEN sent to all presidents of Clubs in the N. C. Federation:

Dear Madam:—The Library Extension Committee of the North Carolina Federation, wishing to stimulate the Library interests of the State, have adopted the motto of the American Library Association, "The best reading for the largest number at the least cost."

Believing that a very limited number of people have an adequate conception of the real mission of the Free Libraries and their enlightening possibilities, our aim is to educate the public through the medium of each Club and to help them understand and appreciate what the Library may and should become, through organized effort, and promotion of Library interests. It is our earnest desire that you appoint for your Club an interested and willing worker to stimulate and improve the library interests in your community and co-operate with the State Chairman in her endeavor to further the Library sentiment of the State.

To this end the Chairman wishes to put herself in direct communication with a member of your Club, therefore, she asks you to make this appointment at once and send her the name of the appointee.

MISS ANNIE PETTY.

MRS. S. WEIL, Goldsboro, Chairman.

Mrs. Weil is fortunate in the selection of her assistant, Miss Petty is one of the few trained librarians in the State, and thoroughly understands the needs of the people whom the Department is trying to reach.

THE MOST interesting meeting of the Woman's Club in the New Year was held yesterday afternoon, and the public spirited ladies of Raleigh have seldom heard a more patriotic address than the very able one delivered before them by Mrs. W. R. Hollowell, of Goldsboro, who is one of the foremost women in North Carolina, and the South, and

also Vice-President of the N. C. Federation of Women's Clubs.

Mrs. Hollowell is a forceful and even eloquent speaker. Her knowledge of the conditions prevalent in this State—labor, social, educational and even economic—is extensive, and her experience in working among all classes with her uplifting purposes is almost as broad as her knowledge.

The special message Mrs. Hollowell brought to the women of Raleigh was "Federation." "There are 31 Clubs in the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs, and a membership of 800. The question is often asked, 'Why has Raleigh's Club not joined the Federation?' What are you organized for? Have you been beneficial to the city and the State, and mutually helpful? The time has passed when woman shall spend her time for naught. We have formed another kind of womanhood, that which needs, demands, necessitates the requirements of the hour. I am almost appalled by the tremendous responsibility which is found at the door of every woman's home to-day. There has never been a single line of work ever taken up by a woman's club that has not come back directly to the home.

"North Carolina, until three years ago, did not have a federated woman's club. The trouble was not that the State lacked intellectual, creative, public minded women. As for intellectual endowments and patriotism, the womanhood of North Carolina is on a par with that of any other State in the Union. The trouble was that we did not possess the training. The Daughters of the Confederacy and the King's Daughters have done not only noble but magnificent work. Their achievements have been monumental. But the results cannot be as broad and varied until the State's womanhood is first itself united, and then become a part of the great National Federation.

"At the National meetings of the Federation North Carolina must not be misrepresented by not having delegates in attendance, but we should send representative women there who will truly and ably represent us.

"In the years to come the State will be proud of the work done by its women. The Woman's Club is the club; it takes precedence; it is altruistic in its nature; it does the same work that is done by all other women's organizations. It reaches (or must and will reach), every woman in the State. We have been, heretofore, too exclusive, something like the little children, seen but not heard. We have not been expansive, extensive, broad enough. A State Federation would bring the women from all the homes in the State together, and there is no better way to reach them. We have talked too much about work, and done too little. We make preparations too long.

"There is one thing that the women of North Carolina can and must do, and that is the establishment of an industrial school for wayward boys. A reformatory is not needed; it would be objectionable and obnoxious. The boy is not responsible for the conditions in which he is born.

"The women of North Carolina can build an industrial school, and the men of North Carolina will pay for it. When the women of the State appeal to the General Assembly for an appropriation for this institution they will receive it. This must be done through the State Federation, and I, although not a lobbyist, will go to the Legislature and get the appropriation. The entire womanhood of the State must join the Federation, and then there will be no difficulty in establishing the industrial school.

"God planted in the human heart the desire to help some

one. We have not sufficiently recognized God in our work, and the womanhood of North Carolina should hear the voice which says, 'O woman, great is thy faith!' You owe it to yourselves, your children, your State, your country and your God to do this great work of uplifting. Then the State will rise up and call you blessed in that you have served and done in your generation which God has bid you do."

Mrs. C. C. Hook of the Charlotte Woman's Club has been appointed by the Executive Board to fill out the unexpired term of Mrs. Clarence Brown, former Chairman of Music for the N. C. Federation. Since the loss of her husband Mrs. Brown has left the State. Those of us who are familiar with Mrs. Hook's work as Chairman of Music in the Charlotte Club will be glad to learn that she has accepted the larger work and bespeak for her the co-operation of all music lovers, feeling sure that no better choice could have been made.

Grand Opera for the South.

Probably the most important announcement in affairs theatrical, that has been sent from New York in some time is the recent statement that Mme. Mantelli, the famous *prima donna* from the Metropolitan Opera House, supported by a company of exceptional strength and merit, will make a spring tour of the South and Middle West, singing in English those roles in which she has won such great success, not alone in New York, but in every great city in the world.

As Mme. Mantelli's plans are announced the bookings will bring the celebrated *prima donna* and her English Grand Opera Company to Charleston, S. C., on March 17th. In what opera she will be heard here has not yet been announced but it will be one of her three greatest successes "Il Trovatore," "Favorita" or "Faust," and the occasion should be one of exceptional interest to those who love the best obtainable in music and in art.

The company which will support Mme. Mantelli during her tour could not be duplicated in America without drawing heavily upon Herr Conreid's Metropolitan Opera House forces in New York City.

Sig. Alberti, who toured the United States a few seasons ago with Mme. Scalchi, will sing the baritone roles; Mme. Noldi, who a few evenings ago, was called upon at short notice to replace Mme. Nordica at the Metropolitan, will be the soprano; dividing these roles with Mme. Viola De Costa. The dramatic tenor roles will be sung by Mr. James F. Roach, while Sig. Fancesconi, one of the famous lyric tenors of Europe, will be heard in those roles most suitable to him. The basso of the company will be Mr. Robert E. Cavendish, Sig. Fontana will be the second baritone and Mme. Stuart the mezzo-soprano. The conductor will be Mr. Morris Gould of the Metropolitan Opera House.

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President—Mrs. Richard F. Adams, Palatka.

Recording Secretary—Miss Kathryn Thorp, Daytona.

Corresponding Secretary—Miss May J. Crosby, San Mateo.

(21 Clubs—800 Members.)

THE Board of Directors of the Florida Federation of Women's Clubs met in Jacksonville on February 16th, with the President, Mrs. R. F. Adams, in the chair and five Directors present. Reports from officers and chairmen were given, and much routine business was attended to.

The Constitution and By-Laws of the Federation were discussed at length, and the unanimous decision was that the present instrument does not meet the demands of a rapidly growing Federation. On motion a committee consisting of Mesdames R. F. Adams, D. U. Fletcher, W. W. Cummer, N. C. Wamboldt and E. G. G. Munsell was selected to draft a substitute, which shall be referred to all Federated Clubs and voted upon at the next Annual Meeting.

By decision of the Board, the next Annual Convention will be held with the Club of Current Events in Tampa, on April 4th and 5th. An effort will be made to secure the presence of Mrs. Sarah Platt Decker and other National Representatives. Mrs. Frances N. Clayton of Tampa will deliver an address on "The Weakest Link."

The principal social event of the Convention will be a Reception by the Hostess Club on the evening of April 4th. Each Club in the Federation is entitled to send two delegates, and a full representation is desired. Committees were appointed to secure reduced rates over the A. C. L., the S. A. L. and the Fla. E. Coast R. R., and due notice of rates will be given to all Clubs.

The Board of Directors are called to meet again on March 8th at the Woman's Club House, Jacksonville, at 10.30 o'clock A. M.

By an unfortunate delay in the mail your correspondent failed to receive the notes from The Palmetto Club until too late for the last issue. It is herewith appended with regrets for its tardy appearance.

"The Palmetto Club of Daytona, Fla., celebrated the tenth anniversary of its organization by a very enjoyable banquet on Dec. 27th, 1905. There were 68 covers laid. The decorations were in the Club colors, green and gold. The toasts to "Past," "Present," "Future,"—"Our Symbol" and "Charter Members" were most eloquently handled—with dashes of wit and wisdom. Our President, Mrs. Raynor, presented us with a handsome new gavel, and altogether the occasion was one long to be remembered. Our membership has now passed the 100 mark and is still growing. We are just starting our Club Home, which will be completed in about a month. We will have an audience room 30x50 with a kitchen, cloak room and committee room. The building is to have a Colonial front with massive columns. I also send a letter received by us and read at our banquet.

DEAR FRIENDS:—

As I write Palmetto Club the remembrance of a winter in beautiful Florida comes over me, and I seem to feel the soft air, and inhale the sweet odors once more. I give you my heartiest greetings and wishes for a long and happy life. I believe the best citizens of any State are the thoughtful, earnest club women: it is they who will study its problems, will build wisely, will make the Commonwealth better, physically, morally and intellectually,—every State needs many more citizens of this representative character.

The census for 1900 gives your State about 100,000 white women residents. The number of members recorded in your Federation is about 1,000. Surely there are 5,000 clubable women in Florida. Will not the Palmetto Club take the lead in organizing and federating more clubs. Come to the St. Paul Biennial with at least double your present number of members.

With high hopes and abiding faith,

Very sincerely yours,

SARAH PLATT DECKER.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the V. I. A. of Crescent City was held last month. The attendance was large and the interest great. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President, Mrs. S. M. LaBru; 1st Vice-President, Mrs. L. Eaton; 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. F. S. Crotty; Secretary, Miss Hutchinson; Cor. Sec., Mrs. G. J. Braddock; Treasurer, Mrs. K. Borsen. The Annual Report was read as follows:

The Society has held ten regular meetings and has maintained its membership with the State Federation. The Library, only one year old, now contains over 225 volumes arranged in attractive cases carefully titled and catalogued. The addition to the hall of a stage, two dressing rooms, and an enlargement of the kitchen, renders it much more comfortable than before. We have been able to add to the pleasure of the public by a number of card parties and a musical and Fourth of July Festival whose orator was Hon. R. W. Davis, attracted quite a number of visitors. We have extended to others the free use of our hall.

Specially noticeable and profitable was the lecture of Mrs. James Church of Milwaukee upon Household Economics. The Society tendered Mrs. R. F. Adams, Prest. State Fed. W. C.—an afternoon ten—when she delivered an interesting address upon the work of the Federation. In addition to the usual work on the cemetery, the fence has been repaired. Gen. Fund receipts, \$525.15. Disbursements, \$503.23. Balance \$21.92.

THE L. A. C., Miami, devoted one meeting in February to Household Economics. A fine paper by Mrs. E. L. Eaton was read and then the Club listened to a most earnest talk from Mrs. Mary Gardner, who is a high officer in the "Woodmen of the World." She showed what an important part of Household Economics was the providing for the future by the mother as well as the father.

The other February meeting was Biography Day, and a very touching and beautiful paper was read by Mrs. E. T. Byington on Genl. Gordon, whose personal friend she had been for many years.

The Library has been greatly enlarged—between sixty and seventy dollars having been recently voted it by the Club. The Free Reading Room, where are kept the leading magazines and papers, has been and is a great source of pleasure and is very popular.

AS EVER.—The Fortnightly Club of Palatka has been up and doing. It gave its first musical of the season Jan. 18th at the beautiful home of Mrs. S. J. Hilburn. It was largely attended and the excellent and well rendered program was greatly enjoyed. The Club held its regular meeting in its rooms Friday Jan. 19th. Mrs. W. C. Hargrove had charge of the Meeting. General education topics being the subject for the afternoon and Civil Service Reform by Mrs. Hennesy, Great Men in History by Mrs. Wilcox, Public and Travelling Libraries by Mrs. L. Burt Young, Woman's Kindergarten—an article written by Mrs. Hargrove for "Current Events," issued in Tampa during the Fair, was also read.

GENERAL FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS.

President—Mrs. Sarah Platt Decker, 1550 Sherman Ave., Denver, Col.
 Cor. Sec.—Miss Louisa B. Poppenheim, 31 Meeting St., Charleston, S. C.
 (Up-to-date notes.)

SEVERAL letters have been received asking concerning the Committee on Resolutions which was created at the first session of the present Board of Directors. A word of explanation may not be out of place. At the Biennial Convention in St. Louis between twenty-five and thirty resolutions were presented to the Convention through the Committee appointed for their consideration. Some of these resolutions were of the greatest import, some would alter the fate of the Nation, almost, if carried out with literal interpretation, some were trivial, some impossible, some very imperfect in grammar and in phraseology. It is the desire of the Board of Directors and Officers to avoid these pitfalls at the Biennial in St. Paul. For this reason it is hoped that Resolutions from Clubs, individuals, and Federations, will be sent to the Chairman of the Resolutions Committee, Mrs. Charles F. Stoutenborough, 1800 Sixth Avenue, West, Seattle, Washington, previous to the Convention that there may be careful and painstaking consideration of each before publicity. Women's Conventions are yet on trial, and it behooves us to show systematic improvement.

The address of the Chairman of the Badge Committee is Mrs. Alice M. Johnson, 128 Dorrance St., Providence, Rhode Island. Write for the Federation pin. May every delegate at the coming Biennial wear the little token of fellowship. A pleasant suggestion for badges is made, that each State have its respective flower upon a white ribbon. Colorado has had the Columbine for some time, let Kansas have the Sunflower, Ohio the Buckeye, etc. To know each other by flowers is perhaps sentimental, but eminently feminine and also very agreeable. SARAH S. PLATT DECKER.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS of the General Federation met in Chicago at the Victoria Hotel February 15th to 17th, inclusive. The Auditor, Dr. Kendall, was the only member absent; beside much routine work, the time was taken up with the reports of standing committees, the program for the coming Biennial and the final arrangements for the St. Paul meeting.

The Biennial (May 31-June 7th) will differ from former Biennials in that there will be no general session in the afternoon, this time being given up to the conferences of standing committees. The hours of the conference will not conflict, so that each delegate will be able to attend all the conferences if she chooses. The subject to be considered at these conferences will be announced later. Southern women should be interested in this Biennial with such women actively working on the various standing committees:—Miss Adele Vander Horst, South Carolina, on the Civil Service Reform Committee; Mrs. A. O. Granger, Georgia, Miss Sophie Wright, New Orleans, and Mrs. W. R. Hollowell, N. C. on the Child Labor Committee; Mrs. John Tench, Fla., on the Civic Committee; Miss McClintock, S. C., on the Advisory Committee on Education; Mrs. C. P. Barnes, Ky., on the Library Extension Committee; Miss Mary B. Poppenheim, South Carolina, on the Literature Committee; Mrs. E. C. Coleman, Miss., on the Reciprocity Committee; Mrs. Goodhue, Texas, on the Program Committee, and Mrs. J. C. Terrell, Texas, on the Committee on Revision of By-Laws. With this representation from the South there should be a large attendance from this section at St. Paul. The railroads are working for good rates, the St. Paul hotels

for reasonable accommodation and this Biennial promises to be a brilliant meeting.

Each Committee is planning to have an expert in its special work who will speak as a specialist, and the discussions will take place at the Conferences. The speakers cannot be announced just now as many have not yet accepted.

The Biennial will open on Wednesday evening, May 31, when the usual addresses of welcome will be given by the local officials.

The evening meetings have all been planned with an idea that they should appeal to the public generally as well as to the delegates. Thursday evening will be given to the reports of State Presidents, as this feature of a Biennial is considered one of the most attractive. The State Presidents will all be seated on the stage and each one make the report for her own State.

Friday evening will be devoted to "*Our Opportunities*," when such organizations as American Civic Association, Consumers League, National Child Labor Committee, National Municipal League, will present plans and suggestions by which we may work together to obtain the best results. Saturday night will be given up to a large reception, and Sunday evening to a vesper service. Monday evening will be devoted to Art in charge of the Chairman, Mrs. John Sherwood, and Tuesday evening to a Musicales in charge of Mrs. Philip N. Moore, when the best professional talent will be secured.

Wednesday evening promises to be a brilliant evening, "*Women in Professions*," being the subject, when education, journalism, law, medicine, the stage and literature will be discussed by representative women in each of the professions.

Thursday evening, the last of the sessions, will be President's evening as usual, and Mrs. Decker has entire charge of the program. The Forestry, Art, Library Extension, Household Economics and Pure Food Committees are arranging for interesting exhibits in connection with their reports and conferences.

"The Pure Food exhibit will illustrate what pure food means and show how it can be obtained. There will be one section showing what spices are adulterated, and another with adulterated jellies, jams, vinegars, oils, etc., and another showing the coloring matters—and usual preservatives. The milk exhibit will come from Baltimore, where the first exhaustive milk display ever given will be held in April, and is to be loaned through the courtesy of the persons having it in charge. The water display will show by means of pictures showing contamination of the water supply—and of facts and figures used by the "Municipal League" in their campaign for good water—how one small town succeeded in obtaining deep well water. Much of the exhibit is to be prepared by the officials,—national and State, who are the leaders in this movement, and the whole exhibit is to be absolutely scientific in its nature. To it will come the progressive women from all over the country, and if each one goes home imbued with an aggressive interest in this matter of pure food the committee will feel it has not worked in vain."

"The Committee on Household Economics has arranged a very interesting program for its session."

Mrs. Virginia C. Meredith, of Cambridge City, Indiana, will be the principal speaker at the morning session. Her subject will be the "Gospel of Homemaking." There will be a short report from the Chairman and the balance of the hour will be given to the Pure Food Committee who will

have most competent speakers. H. C. Adams, of Wisconsin, will present the subject from the legislative standpoint, Professor Shepard, of South Dakota, from the scientific standpoint, and Senator Heyburn will speak upon the difficulties of securing protective legislation. Mrs. Miller, of Jacksonville, has charge of the fitting up and furnishing the Practical Home in which there will be an exhibition of work from the Arts and Crafts Schools, also potteries for sale, a percentage of the proceeds to be applied toward helping defray the expense of the exhibit.

There will be two demonstrations of hygienic foods by Miss Anna Barrows, of Boston, and the Committee will be at home each afternoon in the model flat to confer with the workers."

Friday afternoon, June 1st, will be given up to receptions in private homes in St. Paul, and the whole of Tuesday, June 5th, will be spent in an outdoor excursion known as Minneapolis Day.

Mrs. Cowles, the Chairman of the Program Committee, is in close communication with the various Chairmen and hopes to be able to announce the full program in a few weeks. The Board of Directors was kept occupied steadily with the large amount of business on hand, but arranged to accept the hospitable invitation of the Chicago Woman's Club for a reception on Friday evening, Feb. 16, in their beautiful club rooms near the Victoria Hotel.

Those members who remained after the Board adjourned visited Hull House Sunday morning and were taken over this fascinating house by Miss Jane Addams herself, which added greatly to their visit. Sunday afternoon they were delightfully entertained by Mrs. Coonly-Ward in her beautiful hospitable home. Mrs. Decker, Mrs. Moore and Mrs. Coonly-Ward left Chicago early in the week for St. Paul to confer with the St. Paul local committee in regard to the various Biennial arrangements.

THE WESTERN PASSENGER Association in whose territory the St. Paul Biennial takes place has announced the following rate:

A round trip ticket from Chicago to St. Paul for one fare, plus Two (\$2.00) Dollars. The other Passenger Associations are most likely to concur in this rate except the Transcontinental, which has authorized the regular nine months tourist ticket which is about Two (2c.) Cents per mile each way.

We are promised a trip to the Yellowstone Park at a most attractive rate, although the official announcement of the details has not yet been sent to the Transportation Committee.

The same general treatment that has characterized all the negotiations so far between the General Federation and the great passenger associations will doubtless continue and we may confidently hope for a trip that will include many pleasant features besides those already mentioned.

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THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY of the General Federation, Miss Louisa B. Poppenheim, early in February published and distributed the official list of officers and directors, committees, State Federations, Federation secretaries, and Federated Clubs of the General Federation of Women's Clubs for 1906. This pamphlet of 40 pages gives a complete list of all officers and standing committees of the General Federation, all State Federation Presidents and Corresponding Secretaries, all Federation Secretaries and all Presidents of Clubs holding direct membership in the General Federation, and shows the special lines of work in which each is interested. There are also some interesting tabulations showing that there are 46 State Federations holding membership in the General Federation, representing 4,489 Clubs and 271,839 members, and that there are also 772 individual Clubs holding membership direct in the General Federation representing 59,209 active and 4,949 associate members; that there are four Clubs in Alaska and nine foreign Clubs. Delaware, Maine and South Carolina hold membership in the General Federation only through their State Federations.

157 Clubs are marked (†) showing that they failed to send their data in response to the reply postal cards sent out in December, 1905, and 187 Clubs are marked (†*) showing that they have failed to communicate with the Corresponding Secretary's office for the past two years. This marking has been adopted in hopes of arousing Clubs to the necessity of responding to official communications, and giving credit to those who do respond promptly.

A copy of this directory has been sent to every name in the directory but any Club woman may secure an extra copy by applying to the Corresponding Secretary and enclosing ten cents in stamps.

THE LIBRARY EXTENSION Committee of the General Federation, with Mrs. C. S. Morris, Berlin, Wis., as chairman, has prepared for distribution among all club women a neat, simple edition of the A. L. A. annotated list of Books for Boys and Girls from the list compiled by Caroline M. Hewins, of the Hartford Public Library. This list not only gives the names of the recommended books for children, but a description of the book, the name of publisher and the price of books. This pamphlet will prove of great value to all club women and to teachers. Any club women may secure a copy by applying to Mrs. Morris, the chairman.

"THE Woman of To-morrow," by Helen M. Winslow, is a sympathetic treatment of the women of to-day in their various spheres of life, looking forward to their development in the future. Miss Winslow again defends the club woman and the new woman, handling them both as real human women. The book is addressed "To my sisters," and contains many practical and suggestive chapters. Miss Winslow, a prominent club woman herself, and an active participant in woman's economical and social endeavors, knows whereof she speaks.

(Cloth, \$1.00. James Pott & Co., New York City.)

THE American boy is essentially patriotic and the publishers of the greatest boy's magazine in the world have made this the leading feature in the February number. The front cover with the Washington coat of arms, and a sentiment quoted from George Washington himself, is exceedingly attractive. Among the stories which in variety will please almost every kind of a boy are: "Forgetful Thomas," tells of a boy who was always forgetting and was cured in a singular way; "The Sneak-Cat" is a story of the trappers and hunters away up in the north woods; "Cake Eater" shows how the office boy turned the tables on his tormentor, the bookkeeper. The various departments of Stamps, Coins and Curios; The Boy Photographer; The Boy Mechanic and Electrician; Tangles, and the O. A. B. page are filled with good things. There are 87 illustrations. Subscription price, \$1.00 a year. The Spurge Publishing Co., Detroit, Mich. See *The Keystone* combination offer, page 15.

SOUTH CAROLINA DIVISION UNITED DAUGHTERS OF THE CONFEDERACY.

This Department is official, and will be continued monthly.

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 52 Chapters—1775 Members.

At the Annual Convention of the S. C. Division U. D. C. held in Johnston's, S. C., on December 1st, a motion was made that a committee be appointed to draw up suitable resolutions on the death of Mrs. J. Harleston Read, an ex-Vice-President of the Division, and to send these resolutions in the name of the Division to Mrs. Read's family.

The following are the resolutions prepared and sent by this committee along with other resolutions offered individually at the Johnston's Convention:

WHEREAS, God in His Providence has removed from among us Mrs. J. Harleston Read, and Whereas, this Division desires to record its expression of its esteem and appreciation of this noble woman. Be it

RESOLVED: 1st, That this Division feels a personal loss on account of the death of Mrs. Read, whose noble character, untiring energy and faithfulness to the cause have endeared her to us.

2nd. That, while by her death the Division sustains a great loss, the Arthur Manigault Chapter especially will miss the aid and influence of her valuable labor.

3rd. That a page in our minutes be inscribed to her memory and these resolutions be published in the county papers and *The Keystone*.

4th. That a copy be sent to her family.

MRS. W. H. FOWLER, Yorkville.

MRS. E. C. LEGARE, Aiken.

MRS. HARRIET P. LYNCH, Chairman.

THE COMMITTEE OF THE DIVISION IN CHARGE of the plans by which public opinion may be aroused in the interest of an annual Reunion of the Confederate Veterans in South Carolina is as follows: Mrs. Julia Campbell, Chester, chairman; Mrs. Richard O'Neale, Mrs. J. W. Bunch, Columbia, Mrs. Ira Jones, Lancaster, Mrs. C. C. Featherstone, Laurens. Chapters willing to co-operate with this Committee are urged to communicate with them at once.

The Committee in charge of the formation of Children's Chapters in South Carolina is as follows: Mrs. Lulah Ayer, Vandiver, Anderson, Miss Aminda Moses, Sumter.

THE MINUTES OF THE CALIFORNIA Convention of the United Daughters of the Confederacy are very necessary for every Chapter of the U. D. C. in South Carolina, and the Chapters are urged to provide themselves with these Minutes. The Recording Secretary of the U. D. C., Mrs. Jno. P. Hickman, Nashville, Tenn., writes the South Carolina Division President:

"I am getting my notices about the Minutes off as fast as possible. These notices say that I will send as many copies of the Minutes as the Chapter will send postage for. I think it will take about seven cents a copy. The Minutes will be ready for delivery about the first of March."

These Minutes will put Chapters in touch with the U. D. C. work.

THE ST. MATTHEWS, S. C. CHAPTER of the United Daughters of the Confederacy was chartered during the month of February. This baby Chapter of the South Carolina Division organized with twelve charter members and is gaining new members every day. Miss Edythe Loryea is president of the Chapter and is setting about putting the Chapter's affairs on a firm and orderly basis. They are interested in the Literary Historical features of the U. D.

C. work and may be counted on as one of the active and strong Chapters of the Division in the near future. The U. D. C. in South Carolina welcome them into the ranks of workers and hope for them the realization of all their highest ideals.

IT COMES to us through good authority that in the month of February an order for one hundred copies of the first volume of South Carolina Women in the Confederacy was filled and sent to another State. This valuable publication issued by the South Carolina Division through a committee grows more valuable with each year, and it is with great pride that the Daughters hear of the distribution of this book. The second volume of South Carolina Women of the Confederacy is now through with the process of editing, and the State Company hopes to soon be able to put it on sale.

THE LITERARY-HISTORICAL MEETINGS of the Charleston Chapter continue monthly, the fourth Tuesday of each month from January to May inclusive in the Chapter Room, Market Hall. The January meeting was given up to the discussion of Historical Methods in Chapters and State Divisions and the department enjoyed an interesting and instructive talk on the subject by Mrs. St. J. Allison Lawton, who as Miss Ruth Jennings, an ex-President of the Virginia Division U. D. C. had had much experience on the subject under discussion. The February meeting was devoted to the discussion of the influence of unfair and biased histories in general, and a most carefully prepared and instructive paper on the Confederate Navy was given by Miss Margaret Campbell.

Mrs. Geo. S. Holmes, who as Mrs. Thos. McCullough, of Virginia, is so well known in U. D. C. circles as President of the Davis Monument Association, was present at this meeting and added much to its interest by suggestions on the topics under discussion.

The March meeting promises to be of unusual interest as that day is to be known as "Hampton Day," and the roll call is to be responded to by some fact relative to the life and work of Wade Hampton. Already the members are busy securing suitable facts for quotation and are anxious that no duplicate facts be quoted. A sketch of Genl. Hampton's life will be one of the principle papers of the afternoon, and a paper on the "Confederate Irishman," as St. Patrick's Day is also celebrated in March, promises to be one of unusual interest. The meetings of the Department are well attended and all the members of the Chapter are invited to be present as listeners if they are not willing to volunteer as members of the Department. The programs for this year are neat little folders showing the date and subjects for each meeting and the names of the persons taking part in the different meetings. A list of the volunteers of the Department, thirty in number, is also given on the folder. This Department is directed by the Chapter Historian, Miss Mary B. Poppenheim, and she is assisted by Miss Elizabeth Bryan, who acts as secretary of the Department, and Mrs. Geo. F. Von Kolnitz, Jr.

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(UP-TO-DATE NOTES.)

THE ARKANSAS DIVISION U. D. C. has just issued the minutes of its Tenth Annual Convention held in Fort Smith, Ark., Oct. 25-27, 1905. This convention had a representation from 23 Chapters which polled a vote of 62. The Division is working for a room in the State Capitol to be used as a repository for their records. The convention held one night session when the State Historian, Mrs. R. B. Willis, of Searcy, made a most brilliant and inspiring report on her work in the Arkansas Division and urged upon the Daughters the need and the value of the study of Southern History and Literature. The Arkansas Division has a State Register as have many other Divisions, and this State office seems to unify the membership of the Daughters in their State Divisions to a great degree besides preserving their records in one office where they will be more accessible as the years go by. The Fort Smith minutes are neatly bound in gray, have a list of the past annual conventions of the Arkansas Division, a list of the officers of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, a page devoted to "In Memoriam" for deceased members of the Division and the rosters of all the Chapter officers, thirty-five Chapters in all. From the reports of the Chapters it is readily seen that this Division is a very active and very busy one. Mrs. L. C. Hall's term as President having expired by limitations of the constitution Mrs. Chas. H. Wilmans, of Newport, was elected the new President of the Arkansas Division.

THE GEORGIA DIVISION U. D. C. is ever active and alert. Their monthly historical programs are full of historical suggestions. The State Program for April will be on Southern Prisons, Andersonville in particular. This is a timely subject for discussion in view of the fact that the Georgia Division is exerting all its energy this year to raise funds for a monument to Capt. Wirz, commandant of the Stockade Prison, at Andersonville, Ga. The funds collected for this monument up to date are \$131, the charter Chapter, Savannah, heading the list with a subscription of \$100. The President of the Division, Mrs. A. B. Hull, Savannah, Miss Alice Baxter, of Atlanta, first Vice-President of the division and a member of the Inscription Committee, Miss A. C. Benning, of Columbus, of the same committee, Mrs. Jno. E. Donalson, of Bainbridge, chairman of committee on design, Mrs. Mathis and Mrs. Taylor, of Americus, members of the Site committee, made a trip to Andersonville in February, to go over the matter of plans for the monument. The general idea is to raise \$5,000 for the monument, which might be a simple column on the order of Cleopatra's Needle, of gray Georgia granite, twenty-five or thirty feet high and, if possible, carrying four bronze tablets with inscriptions.

All the monuments in the National Cemetery at Andersonville have been built by the States they represent and in each case an appropriation had been made by the State Legislatures.

The Savannah Chapter held its first historical and social meeting at the home of the Chapter historian, Mrs. Louis G. Young, on Jan. 19th. The program consisted of music, readings from the letters of General Lee, and answers to six questions upon the life of Lee.

VIRGINIA DIVISION UNITED DAUGHTERS OF THE CONFEDERACY.

This department is official and will be continued monthly. Address all communications for Virginia to Mrs. J. Pryor Jones, Petersburg, Va., Manager for Virginia Division U. D. C.

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THE DIVISION MAY well be proud of its "baby" Chapters. Roanoke, only reorganized two years, has now about 75 members. Their chief work is along charity lines. They have ten Confederate families to whom they give monthly allowances. Christmas and Thanksgiving they send out baskets of provisions to about fifteen Confederate families, and flowers and fruits to sick ones, whether needy or not. They have contributed to three or four monuments. Made \$497 on Crystal Slipper, Gave a banquet to the Veterans on Lee's birthday and such a banquet. Real ham, none of your California bacon ham, but ham that came off a Floyd County hog: sure enough turkey that grew feathers once, real lamb, not canned veal, etc., etc., until in the enjoyment of the present the Vets almost forgot the grand banquet of former days when green corn and parched corn was first course and last. In addition to this they expect to have a club room or hall which will be at the disposal of the Vets every night as a reading room. They have adopted the most excellent plan of changing the Relief Committee every month, thereby doing a double benefit, more members in active service and more needy ones succored. All honor to Roanoke!

THE ALBEMARLE CHAPTER, Charlottesville, celebrated Jan. 19th to a degree beyond the most extravagant hope. The Charlottesville and University members worked with a will to make the Veterans happy.

The *Daily Progress* of Charlottesville gave its own unbiased account in two columns next day, saying in part: "The audience which assembled at the Levy Opera House last evening to hear Governor-elect Claude A. Swanson speak and to witness the exercises in celebration of General Lee's birthday surpassed in numbers the expectations of the most sanguine person interested. The opera house was packed to its utmost capacity and hundreds of people were turned away. Seats were reserved just in front of the stage for the Veterans and more than a hundred of the most appreciative and interested were present.

The opera house was completely transformed by the artistic decorations, with red and white bunting and Confederate flags. The stage was very attractively furnished and palms and bright lights gave the finishing touches. A very fine portrait of Lee stood on an easel to the left of the stage. This was attractively framed in bunting and flags.

The boxes were occupied, one by officers of the Daughters of the Confederacy—Miss Sallie Doswell, president; Mrs. J. E. Irvine, treasurer; Mrs. M. G. Wallace, secretary, and Mrs. C. C. Wertenbaker, chairman of committee on Crosses and Mrs. G. W. Oliver, who was the only *descendent* who had applied for a Cross of Honor. The other box was occupied by members of the Memorial Association.

Captain Micaja Woods, commander of the John Bowie Strange Camp, C. V., acted as master of ceremonies.

The exercises opened by a beautiful and appropriate

prayer by Dr. Geo. L. Petrie, pastor of the Presbyterian Church and chaplain of the Camp, and was followed by Gov.-elect Swanson's speech, a very beautiful, interesting and altogether pleasing effort. * * * The Veterans were fascinated with the reminiscences of the war, the anecdotes and pathetic stories of the different battles, and so accurately and so graphically did the Gov.elect relate them, that but for the absence of "white hairs and lines" one would have thought that he went through the whole war himself. * *

Crosses of Honor were bestowed on fifty-seven Veterans, many of them among the most prominent men of the University of Virginia and of Charlottesville. A quartette from the University Glee Club sang "Taps," and a soloist of the same club sang "Two Grenadiers," and the orchestra of the students rendered Southern airs with much spirit.

An incident connected with the bestowal of Crosses on this occasion was that a member of the Camp who had been ill for over a year lingered a few days after his cross was carried to him; then the Daughters of the Albemarle Chapter took a wreath of red and white carnations to place among the beautiful floral offerings on his grave.

Such facts should impress us with the need of acting promptly in our efforts to honor the living Veterans. We may have more time in which to honor the dead.

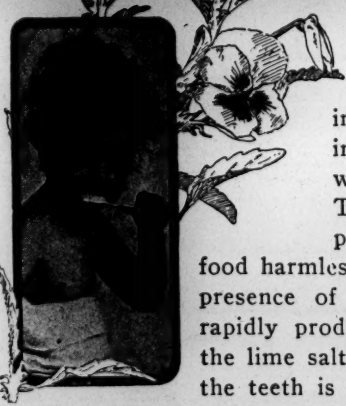
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THE RICHMOND CHAPTER celebrated Gen. Lee's birthday Jan. 19th with suitable literary exercises, and the bestowal of Crosses of Honor. The exercises consisted of a paper on John R. Thompson, the Southern poet, by Mrs. A. M. Tyler, a member of the Daughters of the Confederacy, in which Mrs. Tyler spoke of the valuable contributions to Southern literature that Mr. Thompson had made in his well known ballads, and referred to the forthcoming

edition of his poems and prose writings which are being edited now by Mr. Charles M. Graves of Richmond. The second address was from the Sons of Veterans, and was by Rev. D. K. Walthall. The presentation of the Crosses of Honor was made by a Committee of prominent Daughters of the Confederacy of Virginia, Mrs. Mahone, Mrs. Bococh and Mrs. W. R. McKenney, the President of the Virginia Division U. D. C. The happiest address of the evening was made by Col. R. E. Lee, Jr., grandson of Gen. R. E. Lee. This meeting was held in Lee Camp Hall, and was planned as a joint meeting of the Veterans, the Sons of Veterans and the Daughters of the Confederacy in Richmond, and was very largely attended, the hall being taxed to its utmost limit.

THE LONDOUN CHAPTER U. D. C. celebrated Jan. 19th by a banquet in the opera house of Leesburg. Over two hundred Veterans were present and were served by young girls with a bountiful dinner of oysters, turkey, roast lamb, old ham, salad, pickles, coffee and cake. After dinner speeches were made by Senator Blackburn of Kentucky and Congressmen Hull and Rixey. Every one regretted the absence through illness of Col. E. V. White, the Commander of the Camp. The Chapter extends thanks to all who helped them with contributions, especially Mr. S. T. Hickman, whose contribution of coffee was much appreciated. Mr. Wm. Wise was chairman of the executive committee. The officers of the Chapter are President, Mrs. Stirling Murray; Vice-President, Mrs. George Hoffman; Secretary, Mrs. Wm. Martin.

CAROLINA CHAPTER, CROXTON, is working wonders besides the County Monument to be unveiled at Bowling Green in the spring. A memorial hall is being built which the Chapter hopes to dedicate some time during the summer.



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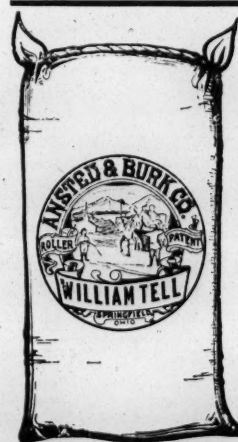
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